is a large gap between the institutional framwork for offering services to the citizens and the demand for these services on the part of citizens. This causes pressure on the system resulting in distortions in its operation, and tends to promote malpractice. It is difficult to bridge this gap merely by enacting any law.

Appointment of Deputy Chairman of Planning Commission

3062. SHRI M. M. JACOB: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the former Deputy Prime Minister has demanded that person connected with agriculture be appointed as the next Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Decision to appoint a Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission will be taken in the overall context, keeping in view this aspect also.

Rainfall in Andhra Pradesh

3063. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what was the average rainfall in the Telengana, Rayalaseema, and Circars regions of Andhra Pradesh respectively upto and inclusive of the year 1981-82 and how was it distributed month-wise in a year;

(b) what is the manner in which the above data vary from 1982-83 to 1987-88, year-wise;

(c) the number of official rain recording stations in operation in the said three regions of the State; and what is the ratio of each such station in a region to the land mass of that region;

(d) what is the number of rain recording centres functioning in the country; and

(e) what is the ratio of each such centre to the geographical area of the region?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Long period annual average rainfall of Telengana, Rayalaseema, and Circars Regions of Andhra Pradesh upto and inclusive of the year 1981-82 are 951.4 mm, 686.2 and 1016.8 mm respectively.

The monthwise distribution of Long period average rainfall is as follows:

Month	Telengana	RGIOMS Rayalaseema	Circars region (Coastal Andhra Pradesh)
1	2	3	4
January	3.7 mm	6.4 mm	6.1 mm
February	6.3 „	3.9 „	7.9 „
March	10.9 „	5.7 „	10.9 „